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For the Year Ending

February 15, 1912

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And the Vital Statistics for the Year 1911

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Report of Selectmen

Tax required to be assessed in town April, 1911

State tax	\$ 455 00
County tax	541 52
Town charges	650 00
Highways and bridges	784 32
Schools	1,417 50
Memorial day	50 00
Library tax	19 50
Overlay	49 61

\$3,967 45

Rate of taxation, \$2 05 on each \$100.00

Invoice April 1, 1911

Polls	83	\$ 8,300 00
Real estate		144,614 00
Horses	142	11,976 00
Oxen	4	320 00
Cows	277	10,356 00
Other neat stock	182	4,662 00
Sheep	275	998 00
Hogs	7	80 00
Fowls	545	272 00
Bank stock		100 00
Stock in public funds		200 00
Money on hand and at interest		9,668 00
Stock in trade		3,650 00
Mills		1,410 00

\$196,606 00

Treasurer's Report

For the year ending February 15, 1912

Feb. 15, 1911, cash in treasury	\$ 27 10
Rec'd from Selectmen borrowed money	300 00
Sullivan County for support of paupers	84 24
Town Clerk, dog license money	90 00
Chas. Jefts, on tax of 1909	2 33
Solon A. Carter, state aid	332 01
Savings bank tax	134 77
Town clerk, dog license money	1 80
Librarian for catalogues sold	1 20
Sullivan county for support of paupers	75 45
Tax collector	2,560 20
Interest on taxes	4 41
Selectmen, Bowler trust fund	3 00
Selectmen, Henry Prentiss trust fund	14 00
Selectmen, Mary Holden trust fund	2 87
	<hr/> \$3,633 38

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid County tax	541 52
State tax	455 00
Selectmen's orders	2,461 71
Cash to balance	175 15
	<hr/> \$3,633 38

HERBERT A. HOLMES, Treasurer.

Town Officers

George H. Royce, 1st selectman 1910	\$ 50 00
James A. Hall, 2d selectman 1910	35 00
Emery W. Henry, 3rd selectman 1910	15 00
Herbert A. Holmes, town clerk 1911	25 00
Herbert A. Holmes, town treasurer 1911	15 00
Frank R. Bates, sexton 1911	35 10
William H. Wilson, tax collector 1911	50 00
Mrs. Elsie LaSelle, librarian 1911	15 00

Herbert A. Holmes, supervisor 1910	\$ 3 25
John W. Jefts, member board of health	2 25
Mrs. M. C. Wharton, member board of health	6 75
Charles Winch, auditor 1911	1 00
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	\$253 35

County Paupers

Balance due from Sullivan County, Feb. 15, 1911	\$ 54 62
Paid for benefit of M. J. Clark	164 02
Paid for benefit of John Thayer	30 91
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	\$249 55
Received from Sullivan county	159 69
Due from Sullivan county Feb. 15, 1912	89 86
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	\$249 55

Dog Licenses

Received from dog licenses	\$ 90 00
Amount payable school treasurer	90 00

Highways and Bridges

James McDermott, work on road	\$ 5 45
Frank D. Jones, work on road	3 12
Herbert G. Lamb, surveyor, District No. 4	42 00
Edward Gates, work on road	1 75
Selectmen, work on roads, District 5 and 7	16 03
Selectmen, work on roads, District 5 and 7	42 00
George H. Royce, work on road	8 00
Dexter R. Washburn, surveyor, District No. 2	60 25
A. M. Bragg, to work on Cold River bridge	51 85
M. F. Bragg, to work on Cold River bridge	7 75
Charles Greene, surveyor, District No. 1	29 50
William L. Lakin, surveyor, District No. 6 south part	17 75
Selectmen, shingling Cold River bridge	67 55

Edward D. Gates, work on road	\$ 1 75
George Pratt, to work on road District No. 7	5 00
George H. Royce, to work with team	4 80
Herbert G. Lamb, work in District No. 4	4 00
Robert H. Wheeler, work in district 5 and 7	4 00
George H. Royce, work on road District 5 and 7	4 00
Clifton Howe, to work on road District 5 and 7	4 00
E. W. Henry, to filling around tool house and work on road	10 75
George Shattuck, to work on road	10 20
Selectmen, culvert on Cold River road	21 35
Henry J. LaSelle, surveyor, District No. 3	51 25
George F. Lewis, lumber for bridge and work on road	62 18
James W. Bascom, surveyor, District No. 6, north part	15 01
Selectmen, to work in District No. 5 and 7	19 75
Dexter R. Washburn, to work on road	19 20
Carlos J. Fifield, breaking roads 1910 and 1911	9 95
Charles Jacobs, work on road in District No. 1	4 10
Frank R. Bates, work on road in District 5 and 7	14 64
James W. Bascom, work in District No. 6, north part	4 99
William L. Lakin, work in District No. 6, south part	7 77
Alfred Ager, to snowing the Prentiss bridge	2 00
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	\$633 69

Forest Fires

Ethelwynne W. LaSelle, to fighting and watching fire May 8	\$ 3 75
Everett Chase, to fighting and watching fire May 8	3 75
Henry Ormsby, to fighting and watching fire May 8	3 75
Harold Lamb, to fighting and watching fire May 8	3 00
Robert H. Wheeler, to fighting fire May 8	2 00
George L. Porter, to fighting fire May 8	3 75

Marshall F. Bragg, two men fighting fire	\$ 2 00
Emery Hall, to fighting fire	1 00
Geo. H. Royce, to work on forest fires	5 75
Herbert G. Lamb, to fighting fire May 8	1 00
Emery W. Henry, to fighting fire	50
Everett Chase, to watching fire Aug. 15	50
Ethelwynne LaSelle, to watching fire Aug. 15	50
William Roberts, 3 men fighting fire May 8	4 80
Frank R. Bates, to fighting fire May 8	80
George Porter, to fighting fire Aug. 15	90
Henry J. LaSelle, to fighting fire Aug 15	1 50
William Hall, to fighting fire May 8	1 00
Henry Ormsby, to fighting fire Aug. 15	50
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	\$40 75

State Aid Road

To work on State road to Aug. 26	\$159 11
To work on State road from Aug. 26 to Sept. 2	210 62
To work on State road from Sept. 2 to Sept. 9	132 99
To work on State road from Sept. 9 to Sept. 13	48 02
Dexter R. Washburn, 525 loads of gravel	26 25
Dexter R. Washburn, 50 rods wire for fence	11 00
Northeast Metal Culvert Co., for culverts	55 78
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Town disbursements	\$643 77
State disbursements	46 74
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	\$690 51
Total joint fund for 1911	681 75
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Overworked in 1911	\$ 8 76

Miscellaneous

E. L. Elliott, for printing town reports	\$ 18 25
Eastman, Scammon & Gardner, attys. at law, on Tucker bridge case	17 47

Streeter, Hollis, Demond & Woodworth, attys. at law, on Tucker bridge case	\$ 18 02 .
E. M. Smith, atty. at law, on Tucker bridge case	16 90
Hancock Post Memorial Day	50 00
E. L. Walker, insurance on town house	3 00
E. C. Eastman, blanks and blank books	3 64
E. L. Wheeler, feeding tramps	1 00
E. B. Prentiss, care of the Prentiss lots in South Cemetery	14 00
Library Trustees, the Library tax for 1911	19 50
Town of Walpole, repairs on Tucker bridge to Dec. 1, 1911	46 69
Frank R. Bates, care of the Martha Bowles lot in South Cemetery	3 00
Frank R. Bates, care of J. W. Holden lot in North Cemetery	2 87
Herbert A. Holmes, recording births, marriages and deaths	1 35
Treasurer of School Board, unexpended dog license 1910	91 20
Henry Metcalf, for cement, unexpended dog license	1 65
E. C. Eastman, to blanks, warrants and order book	1 11
Streeter, Hollis, Demond & Woodworth, attys. at law, counsel March, 1911	25 00
Howard Hardware Co., shovels, picks, drain tile, etc.	12 80
George Foss, M. D., reporting births and deaths	2 00
William H. Wilson, for use of watering trough 1911	3 00
A. H. Fuller, supplies for Board of Health	3 95
G. H. Royce, telephone, stationery and postage	6 20
George H. Royce, to filling around tool house and work	4 00
Eleazer Porter, note and interest of March, 1911	310 50
Eleazer Porter, interest on note	10 15
Fred C. Leach, abatement on taxes	5 12
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	\$695 22

Recapitulation

Town Officers	\$253 35
County Paupers	194 93
Highways and Bridges	633 69
State Tax	455 00
County Tax	541 52
Forest Fires	40 75
State Aid Road	643 77
Miscellaneous	695 22
	\$3,458 23

Trust Fund

The Henry Prentiss fund, Martha Ann Bowles fund, Mary E. Holden and Elisha Garfield funds are invested in the Bel-lows Falls Savings Institution ; the interest to be expended in the care of the Prentiss lots, the Reed lot, John W. Holden lot and Elisha Garfield lot in the cemeteries.

The Prentiss fund of \$200 00, unexpended interest, \$12 85,	Total	\$212 85
The Bowles fund of \$100 00, unexpended interest, \$9 87,	Total	109 87
The Holden fund of \$93 00, unexpended interest, \$8 11,	Total	101 11
The Garfield fund of \$100 00, unexpended interest, \$2 63,	Total	102 63

To Jan. 1, 1912

Assets

Cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1912	\$175 15
Due from Sullivan county Feb. 15, 1912	89 86
Due from state for forest fires	20 37
	\$285 38

Liabilities

Note to Eleazer Porter, 3½ per cent	\$290 00
Respectfully Submitted,	

GEORGE H. ROYCE, }
 MARSHALL F. BRAGG, } Selectmen
 EDWIN H. CLARK, } of
 Langdon

This certifies that I have this day audited the account of the Selectmen and Town Treasurer and find them properly cast and vouched.

CHARLES WINCH. Auditor.

Langdon, N. H., Feb. 15, 1912

Financial Report of Library Trustees

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To cash on hand Feb. 15, 1911	\$15 62
Fines imposed	14
Library tax	19 50
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	\$35 26

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Dec. 16, 1911, 17 volumes purchased of G. H. Tilden & Co.	\$18 70
Dec. 19, 1911, 2 volumes purchased of G. H. Tilden & Co.	84
Cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1912	15 72
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	\$35 26

In addition to the nineteen volumes purchased for the Library, twelve volumes of State documents have been received. Mrs. C. B. Holmes has presented the Library 12 copies of the magazine, "World's Work."

ELIZABETH B. PRENTISS, Secretary of Trustees.

Report of the Board of Education

Number of schools maintained	3
Terms of school	8
Weeks in spring	35
Weeks in fall	34
Weeks in winter	24 2-5
Whole number of weeks	93 2-5

NAMES OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED

SPRING TERM

School No. 1	Martha H. Hoyt
No. 3	May A. Barnes
No. 3	Blanche Davis

FALL TERM

School No. 1	Martha H. Hoyt
No. 3, Grammar	Esther T. Eastman
No. 3, Primary	Edith E. Davis

WINTER TERM

School No. 3, Grammar	{ Margaret Gallagher
	{ Maud Taylor
No. 3, Primary	{ Mary E. Fitzgerald
	{ Edith E. Davis

Financial Statement

Orders drawn on district treasurer	\$1,615 91
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RECEIPTS

Balance from last year	\$ 58 17
Amount of money required by law	487 50
Additional money voted by district meeting	724 00
Assessed by selectmen for school books and supplies	80 00
Assessed by selectmen for tuition in high schools and academies	96 00
Assessed by selectmen for salaries of school board, truant, and other district officers	30 00
Literary fund, December, 1911	38 28
Amount from State treasury, December, 1911,	
(a) District Superintendent	75 00
(b) Support of schools	180 00
Tuition received	5 40
Amount received for support of schools from dog li- censes	91 20

EXPENDITURES

TEACHERS

May A. Barnes, 11 weeks	\$104 50
Blanche Davis, 11 weeks	93 50
Martha H. Hoyt, 33 weeks	313 50

Esther T. Eastman, 12 weeks	\$114 00
Edith E. Davis, 19 1-5 weeks	172 80
Margaret Gallagher, 1 week	9 50
Maud Taylor, 2 weeks	19 00
Mary E. Fitzgerald, 4 1-5 weeks	37 80
District Superintendent	150 00
E. Porter, interest on note	40 00
E. Porter, payment on principal of note	100 00
Fuel	40 50
Insurance	3 75
Jefts and Bascom, services on school board 1910	20 50
H. C. Metcalf, repairs on furnace	12 71
Tuition to town of Walpole	34 00
Janitor services	41 60
Paint and painting Center school house	33 71
Paper and papering	6 75
Slate blackboards, Hill District	26 45
Mrs. Jacobs, cleaning Hill District school house	2 50
Books	42 98
Supplies	34 41
Miscellaneous	15 35
Minor repairs	1 90
Tuition, Herbert A. Holmes	40 00
H. J. LaSelle	1 85
School treasurer's services	5 00
Tuition to Acworth and Charlestown	11 55
District clerk's service	1 00
Balance unexpended	\$249 64

LIABILITIES

Note to E. Porter, \$700 @ 5% interest

ESTIMATE FOR FISCAL YEAR OF 1912 and 1913

Money required by law	\$480 00
Money required for text books and scholars' supplies	60 00
Money required for high school and academy tuitions	80 00

Money needed for salaries and expense of school board	\$ 20 00
Money needed for salary of truant officers	5 00
Money needed for salary of other district officers	5 00
Estimated income from state December 1912	
Literary fund	35 00
General State aid	140 00
One half superintendent's salary	75 00
Amount needed for repairs	30 00
Additional amount needed	350 00

Very Respectfully submitted,

SARAH A. PORTER,	} School Board
JAMES W. BASCOM,	
CHARLES A. JEFTS	

School Treasurer's Report

For the year ending Feb. 15, 1912

Cash in the treasury Feb. 15, 1911	\$ 58 17
Cash received from tax collector	1,417 50
Cash received from State proportion of school fund	255 00
Cash received literary fund	38 28
Cash received town of Acworth tuition	5 40
Cash received 1910 dog license money	91 20
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	\$1,865 55

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid on orders	\$1,615 91
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1912	249 64
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	\$1,865 55

HERBERT A. HOLMES, School Treasurer.

This certifies that I have this day examined the accounts of the School board and Treasurer and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE A. HOLMES, Auditor.

Langdon, N. H., Feb. 15, 1912.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
LANGDON :

Herewith I respectfully submit my third annual report as superintendent of your schools, it being the ninth in a series of similar reports, since you first adopted the district supervisory plan.

STATISTICS

School	Teacher	Total * Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance
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Spring term, 1911

Hill	Martha H. Hoyt	15	15	13.97	93.13
Grammar	May A. Barnes	14	12.77	12.01	94.05
Primary	Blanche L. Davis	15	14.49	13.86	95.65

Fall term, 1911

Hill	Martha H. Hoyt	23	14	12.99	92.79
Grammar	Esther T. Eastman	14	13.51	12.87	95.26
Primary	Ethel E. Davis	14	13	12.17	93.61

Winter term, 1912

Grammar	M. E. Gallagher	13	10.49	9.08	86.56
	Maude Taylor				
	M. E. Fitzgerald				
Primary	Ethel E. Davis	11	10.09	9.11	90.28

There have been maintained in the town during the past year three schools, one on Langdon Hill and two at Langdon Village.

The Hill school has been in charge of Miss Martha H. Hoyt, who has been in continuous service in this school since September, 1909. This school demonstrates the advisability of retaining the services of a good teacher for a term of years.

Miss Hoyt came to us with some experience and has by painstaking and continuous effort brought about almost ideal conditions for a mixed school. I feel that every dollar expended in maintaining this school for the past year has been an economic expenditure and a good investment. You may justly be proud of this school.

At the village during the past year, the primary school has been taught by Miss Blanche L. Davis and her sister, Miss Ethel E. Davis. Both of these young ladies have proven themselves excellent teachers and have subjected their pupils to refined influences. Their pupils have made excellent progress in their studies.

The grammar room has suffered from a too frequent change of teachers and the results obtained have not been as satisfactory as might be hoped for.

From the above statistics it will be seen that the attendance at the village school has dropped off to such a point that, unless there is a prospect of an immediate increase in numbers, it would seem an unjustifiable expense to continue longer with two teachers. This is deplorable, because even if the number of pupils should remain below twenty, it will be impossible to maintain as efficient a school with all the grades in one room, as it would with twice the number in two rooms.

I believe that the placing of the slate blackboards in the Hill school was a wise expenditure of the district's money. A few dollars laid out in brightening up the interior of this building would be appreciated by many interested in this school. There should be immediate provision made for the proper closeting of books and supplies at the village school.

With sincere thanks to the board for their co-operation, support, and confidence, to the teachers for their earnestness and loyalty, and to the people of Langdon for their hospitality, this report is respectfully submitted.

LOUIS DEWITT RECORD,

Superintendent of Schools, Walpole—Westmoreland—
Langdon Supervisory District.

VITAL STATISTICS

In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June Session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages, and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report, we submit the following:

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911.

Date, 1911	Name of child (if any)	Sex and Condition			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Parents' Color	Parents' Residence of	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Male or Female	Living or Stillborn	Number of child							
Mar. 26	Janette Maud	F	Living	3	Jay E. Greene	May L. Potter	White	Langdon	Farmer	Gilsun	Castleton, Vt.
Oct. 1		M		2	Sanford Lawrence	Leona L. Blanchard			Farmer	Ludlow, Vt.	Ashburnham, Vt.
Nov. 9		F		4	Leffie Forester	Louise A. Boyden			Laborer	St. Johns, N. B.	Walpole, Mass.
Nov. 20	Carolyn Abbie	F		1	Walter Gate	Clara Lake			Farmer	Lynn, Mass.	Westminster, Vt.
Dec. 6		F		4	Charles Westney	Alma Greene			Farmer	England	Gilsun

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, '11.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at Time of Marriage	Re. Vrs.	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Bride and Groom	Name of parents	Birthplace of Parents	No. of children by whom married	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married
A pr. 4	Langdon	Robert L. Smith Inez M. Porter	Fairlee, Vt. Langdon	20 19	White	Farmer Housekeeper	Sullivan Alstead	George D. Smith Ellen M. Wilcox Julius Porter Emma D. Reynolds	East Sullivan Deerfield, Mass Warren, Vt. Norwich, Vt.	1 1	Rev. Oliver Brown Clergyman Alstead

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1911

Date	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex and Condition			Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Name of Mother
				Male	Female	Color		Father	Mother		
Mar. 29	Mrs. Lydia Ramsay	71	Rockingham, Vt.	M	M	White	Housewife	Rockingham, Vt.	Rockingham, Vt.	Abel S. Wolfe	Bridget Connely
July 5	Michael McNamara	20	Clinton, Mass	M	M	White	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	Michael McNamara	Mary O'Brien
Oct. 8	Bertha M. Carroll	19	Walpole	M	F	White	Farmer	Canada	Canada	John Carroll	Eliza A. Tasker
Nov. 24	Alvin S. Cram	76	Raymond	M	M	White	Farmer	Raymond	Pittsfield	Philbrick Cram	

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns of Births, Marriages and Deaths are correct, according to my best knowledge and belief.

HERBERT A. HOLMES, TOWN CLERK.

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